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Source supplied the following information on Military Postal Base No. 74101 located in Baden, Austria, covering the period from April 1949 to November 1949:

1. The base was divided into a number of sections, of which the return mail section (otdel obratnykh pocht) handled all service mail originating in Austria and Hungary destined for the USSR. The transfer section (otdel obmena) picked up all the mail in Austria and Hungary destined for the USSR and turned it over to the return mail section, and received mail from the return mail section, for distribution to the troops, which had originated in the USSR.

- 2. The transfer section was in charge of railway postal cars which travelled various routes throughout Austria and Hungary. One such route was from Vienna to Kecskemet, Hungary (Y 6/N 95), an ordinary round-trip which usually took about two and one-half days.
- 3. The transfer section usually assigned one sergeant and one private to the railway postal car for such trips, except on Mondays and Thursdays when secret mail was carried. On those days, in addition to the usual sergeant and private, there were two guards and one soldier from the field communications section.
- 4. On the Vienna to Kecskemet run the railway postal car was attached in the Ostbahnhof in Vienna to an Austrian passenger train which ran from Vienna to Hegyeshalom (Ph8/Y O6). Upon arrival there the postal car was detached from the Austrian train and attached to a Hungarian train running to Szehesfehervar (Q h8/Z OO). En route the mail was exchanged in Gyor (Ph8/Yhh) as well as in Szehesfehervar. In Szehesfehervar the postal car was attached to a Hungarian express train running to Budapest. On arrival in Budapest the mail car was transferred from the Kolenfeld (eastern) railroad station to the Keleti (western) station. From there the postal car was usually pulled by an engine to Czeglet (Q48/O O8), where it was attached to another Hungarian passenger train running to Kecskemet.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGIENCE AGENCY

There were three railway postal cars running between Vienna and Kecskemet. Two belonged to Military Postal Base No. 74101 in Baden, and the other to a mechanized division located in Kecskemet. \* 25X1A

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in Szehesfehervar, not in Kecskemet. It is not clear which is correct.